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## THAW SANE, TESTIMONY OF EXPERT

**Killing of White Due To Jealousy and Anger, Says Head of New Hampshire Hospital For the Insane.**

**Says Slayer Never Has Been Insane—Regret For Dead Proves Thaw no Paranoiac Testimony of Doctor**

New York, June 29.—Dr. Charles P. Bancroft, head of the New Hampshire State Hospital for the Insane and a member of the Federal Commission which examined Harry K. Thaw during his sojourn in New Hampshire, swore on the witness stand today that in his opinion Thaw not only was sane but always has been sane. Dr. Bancroft testified as an expert alienist in the jury proceedings to determine Thaw's mental condition.

Thaw's act in killing Stanford White was not, Dr. Bancroft said, the product of a systematized delusion such as characterized the true paranoiac.

"The killing of Stanford White," he said, "appeared to us a passionate, impulsive act, growing out of jealousy, which was the final culmination of a series of incidents that had been bearing down on him a long time. It did not seem a case of paranoia, but was due to jealousy of White, not to a diseased condition of mind."

"Thaw knew that White had been antagonistic to him in an unpleasant way. He wanted to get even with White, and he got even with him by killing him. He was not a paranoiac, but was a sane man, who after he had indulged in champagne, suddenly lost control of himself."

"Then you believe Thaw never was insane?" asked Attorney General Becker. "I do," was the reply. "Another reason for my belief is that Thaw expressed regret for his deed. A paranoiac never expresses regret. He continually tries to justify the deed and no amount of persuasion can convince him that he has done wrong."

## LIQUOR LICENSE TRANSFER GRANTED NEAR ARMS PLANT

**Manufacturers Plan to Carry Opposition Further By Appealing From Decision**

The first new saloon to get into the coveted territory near the Remington-U. M. C. plant is operated by M. Schumaker & Sons. This morning they were awarded a liquor license transfer by the county commissioners. The applicants were granted permission to move from 746 Pomboke street to 356 Hallock street.

There was a big demonstration against the transfer, headed by the Remington-U. M. C. Co., the Bridgeport Arms Co., and the Lakeview cemetery association. A number of other property owners in the neighborhood appeared before the commissioners and testified that another license was needed in the neighborhood.

It is understood that coming for the Remington-U. M. C. Co. will appeal to the supreme court, although papers have not yet been filed.

## LADD TO RESIGN AS ELECTRICIAN OF POLICE DEPT.

**Will Devote Time to New Restaurant at Big Plant of Arms Co.**

The resignation of Sheridan A. Ladd, former police electrician, and at present carried on the police lists as a petrolman, will be in the hands of the police commissioners to-morrow night. This is the rumor being circulated about the city to-day and is not denied by Ladd who with his brother is now interested in the restaurant opposite the administration building of the Remington Arms plant, at Seaview and Boston avenues, which from a small start has grown to a large establishment with the rapidly increasing force at the big arms plant.

It has been generally believed in police circles for some time past that Ladd would resign his post which he has filled since 1909 when he was appointed electrician to install the present signal system in use by the police department and which is now to be greatly enlarged and otherwise improved.

That an operation for appendicitis caused Ladd to seek other and easier business than that of police work has been known for some time to the police commissioners who recently appointed T. F. Williams to succeed Ladd.

While in the department Ladd retained the friendship of all the officers and men with whom he was thrown in contact and the best wishes of the department as well as much regret will be felt when the intention of Ladd becomes known.

## WEATHER FORECAST

Fair tonight and Wednesday probably showers; moderate west to south winds.

## CITY PLANNERS FIGHT BRIDGE COMMISSIONERS

**Spirited Session Before U. S. Engineer in Council Chamber.**

**NOLAN AND DAVIS ATTACK 'POLITICIANS'**

**Many Spectators Gather in Anticipation of Lively Verbal Battle.**

Before Major G. B. Pillsbury, United States engineer, representing the government, this afternoon in the common council chamber of the city hall, members of the City Plan Commission made strenuous opposition to the project of the Stratford Avenue Bridge Commission.

The plans and specifications proposed by the bridge commission were presented to the government engineers by the commission and without consulting the City Plan commission or the special committee appointed to investigate the relative costs of the plans, the government was asked to pass on the one set, without considering the other.

Mayor C. B. Wilson, members of the Bridge commission, many citizens and others appeared at the government's public hearing.

The hearing was featured by the attack of Chairman Charles D. Davis of the Plan commission and Expert John Nolan on the Bridge commission's project.

Facts and figures were shown whereby the total cost of the Plan Commission's project will be less than the other. Hints were made that all was not sincere in the Bridge Commission's action in ignoring the Plan Commission's project.

The Bridge commission presented their plan as the plan of the City of Bridgeport, despite the fact that the City Plan members were paid by the city to decide what is best for the city's interests.

John Nolan, who appeared as a disinterested person, but who wished to vindicate his judgment in the matter, showed why he thinks his recommendations better than those of the citizens who formed the Bridge commission.

The impression was gained by the public present that the Bridge commission started out with the intention that their plan is to be adjudged the better whether it is or not.

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## MIDSHIPMEN DEFEND COMRADE BEFORE "GOUGING" COURT

Annapolis, June 29.—Witnesses were put on the stand at the investigation of irregularities in examinations at the naval academy today in defense of Midshipman R. M. Nelson, an honor man of last year's first class and one of the seven defendants recommended for dismissal by Superintendent Fullam.

All with one exception, testified that they were asked to visit Nelson's room when they were found to be in danger of becoming unsatisfactory in their studies. Nelson is the midshipman who, it was alleged, made a practice of coaching backward students.

An attempt was made to show that Ensign John L. McCrea, of last year's graduating class, had cheated in the study room during the last academic year. Ensign H. V. Wiley testified that he had been asked by Ensign R. Buhren, one of the defendants in the present proceedings, to watch McCrea and that he had done so but did not see anything suspicious.

## NEW LOW RECORD FOR "C.P." ON THE STOCK EXCHANGE

New York, June 29.—Canadian Pacific was the feature of today's stock market, declining to 143 1/4, an overnight loss of three points, and the lowest price since 1903 or at any time since the return of a 10 per cent. dividend. Selling of Canadian Pacific has been more or less persistent since the outbreak of the war, the stock having been a prime favorite in the Berlin market.

Doubt regarding the maintenance of the present rate of dividend has been one of the chief factors in the stock's weakness. Poor statements of the road for months past have had an equally depressing influence.

"The statement for May shows a net loss of \$520,000 and the net decrease for the 11th month of the fiscal year now exceeds \$5,000,000."

## ASK CONSERVATOR FOR F. E. QUINLAN

Application for a conservatorship for Frank E. Quinlan, 52 Washington avenue, formerly of the firm of Frank E. Quinlan & Co., liquor dealers at 588 Water street has been made to the probate court through the charities department at the request of his wife. Quinlan is reported to have held his interest in the liquor business to R. W. Daley last week and to have left the city. His whereabouts is known to Mrs. Quinlan, who indicated to-day that upon his return to this city from a two week's rest the application will be withdrawn.

## TRACE MURDERER OF CRADELL TO BAY STATE TOWN

**Coroner Finds Lexington Avenue Stabbing Affray Most Mysterious.**

**WITNESSES TELL DIFFERENT STORIES**

**Arrest of Fugitive is Hourly Expected At Police Headquarters.**

Clues indicating the whereabouts, in a Massachusetts town, of Santo Muscenetti, have come into possession of Coroner John J. Phelan, in his quest into the murder of Antonio Cradell, and tonight the Bridgeport police are hot on his trail. Muscenetti lived at 87 Lexington avenue. He has been missing from home since the death on Thursday night of Cradell, and the serious injury of Michael Siddons, at a birthday party of John Napier at Cradell's house, 76 Lexington avenue.

Coroner Phelan has found this stabbing to be the most intricate mystery he has yet had to unravel. More than a dozen witnesses including several women, have been before him and each one has told a different story. Some of the man say the stabbing occurred in the kitchen. Others say the knives were wielded in the bedroom. None will say who had the weapons. Until several witnesses knew that Muscenetti was at liberty, they would say nothing about his connection with the case.

Coroner Phelan today refused to make any statement regarding his examination of witnesses or to say who he assumed was guilty of killing Cradell and wounding Siddons.

At St. Vincent's hospital yesterday afternoon Siddons who has a stab wound that will keep him in bed for several weeks if he recovers at all, did not wish to say who stabbed him. He refused to talk and then apparently taking a lead from a question addressed him by the coroner, he told a story entirely different from those told by all the others.

"There was a man trying to throw Muscenetti out of a window," Siddons said. "What was that man's name? I don't know. He was one of the party. There were a number of men in the party. I don't know how the fight started. I didn't hear Cradell say he was stabbed. I was trying to hold the man who was going to throw Muscenetti out of the window when someone struck me from behind. I thought it was a blow from a fist. Later on I felt something soft and warm running down the leg of my trousers."

"All I found I was stabbed. When the police took me they found out I was hurt. I don't know who stabbed me. Where is Muscenetti now?"

Coroner Phelan did not answer Siddons' query but it is likely that before to-morrow morning he will know where Muscenetti is and the latter will be under police custody in Bridgeport.

## ESCAPES DEATH AS ENGINE HITS CAR AT CROSSING

**C. P. Stearns Found Only Slightly Hurt on Pilot of New Haven Train.**

Williamantic, June 29.—C. Parker Stearns, of Andover, had a remarkable escape from death at Bolton Center Crossing today when his automobile was smashed by a New York, New Haven & Hartford train. When the train was brought to a stop Stearns was found on the pilot. He was not hurt. He was brought to this city and taken to a hospital where an examination showed that his injuries consisted only of a bruised hand and a contusion of the hip.

Stearns' car stalled on the crossing at the time the train came around a curve and as his machine was crushed he was caught on the locomotive's pilot.

## PRESENT JUDICIAL SYSTEM 25 YEARS OLD THIS SUMMER

**Establishment of Nine Circuit Courts of Appeals Made in 1890.**

Washington, June 29.—Adjournment of the Supreme Court for the summer marks the completion of 25 years operation of the present judicial system, instituted by the Evarts law of 1890.

During that time the court has disposed of nine circuit courts of appeals, which virtually became a sort of sub-supreme courts to relieve the highest tribunal of the great pressure of cases which were congesting its docket and contributing to the law's delays.

At the opening of the new system the Supreme Court was three years behind in its work, and much more time elapsed before cases were decided. Three years passed between the time a case was docketed there and the time it was presented, complete, to the justices for decision.

During that time the court has disposed of one year behind on its work. During the 25 years, 10,766 cases have been filed there—an average of 430 a year, more than one for every day. During that time the court has disposed of 11,410 which included 1,200 waiting when the new system went into effect. But for the latter the court now would be abreast of its work.

During the court year just ended, 528 cases were filed and 539 were disposed of and the docket now contains 544 the smallest number during the last six years. Only three years in the court's history saw more cases disposed of. They were 1890, 1912 and 1913.

## BANK CALL FOR JUNE 23.

Washington, June 29.—The comptroller of the currency today issued a call for the condition of all national banks at the close of business Wednesday, June 23.

## STATE MAYORS' ASSO. MEMBERS GUESTS OF CITY

**City Executives and Former Executives Gather Here For Annual Meeting.**

**GREATEST MEETING IN BODY'S HISTORY**

**Thomas L. Reilly, Homer S. Cummings and John Nolan Talk Interestingly.**

The largest gathering of the members of the Mayors' Association of Connecticut that has ever been held in the history of the organization was called to order at 2:15 this afternoon in the east private dining room of the Stratford hotel when Vice-President C. Murphy of Norwich, called for order.

Prior to the meeting the mayors and former mayors of Connecticut cities had enjoyed luncheon. The speakers covered a most interesting variety of subjects.

Thomas L. Reilly of Meriden, spoke of "The Position an Ex-Mayor Should Occupy in His Community."

City Planning Expert John Nolan of Cambridge on "Civic Awakening."

Mr. Nolan was not able to be at the luncheon but came to the hotel later. Homer S. Cummings of Stamford, injected much humor in his address of "The Duties of a Mayor."

Much interest was evidenced in the speeches of R. E. Cole of New York City on "Immigrants in America" and Joseph Mayer also of New York City on "Municipal Organization."

Both men are members of an organization recently formed in New York, the purpose of which is to care for and distribute through the country the large number of immigrants, which it is believed will flock to this country when the great war now raging in Europe shall have ended.

Both speakers told of the plans the association was forming and said it is necessary that officials in manufacturing cities like Bridgeport should co-operate in order to make good cities for immigrants. The larger proportion of immigrants because they find more ready employment than in other sections.

For the first time the history of the association the meeting at 2:15 was open to the public and a number of city officials and prominent citizens attended. Much of the success of the meeting was due to the efforts of former Mayor E. T. Chubb, who was chairman of the committee of arrangements and who sent out the invitations for the gathering.

Among those present were: C. B. Wilson, Henry Lee, H. H. Pyle, Robert E. DeForest, Marcus L. Reynolds, E. T. Buckingham, D. N. Morgan, Denis Mulvihill and Hugh Sterling of Bridgeport; William F. Tamm, New Haven; W. O. Gilbert, Danbury; C. A. Quigley, New Britain; Thomas D. Barlow, Frank T. Reeves, City Engineer Cairns, Waterbury; Frank J. Rice, New Haven.

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Notice has been filed in the superior court that the Susman-Feuer Co. of this city will appeal to the supreme court from the jury's verdict in the recent action brought against the local firm by the Bay State Milling Co. of Minneapolis, Minn. Attorneys DeForest & Klein representing the Susman-Feuer Co., have asked the court to grant a preliminary step to an appeal. It will be September before the voluminous papers in the appeal are ready.

The hearing of the suit lasted several weeks and the jury awarded the Bay State Milling Co. \$1 and costs in addition to possession of a large quantity of flour valued at \$7,500. Soloway & Katz, the bankrupt New Haven firm whose affairs were aired at such great length in the bankruptcy court were mentioned in this suit. The Bay State Milling Co. claimed they sold the flour to Soloway & Katz and were not paid for it. They maintained the New Haven firm had no right to sell it to Susman-Feuer. The local concern claimed the purchase was a legitimate transaction.

## OLD TIME CONNECTICUT SAILING MASTER DEAD

New Haven, June 29.—Captain Frederick Hotchkiss, a sailing master for more than a quarter of a century, and one of the last skippers of the large fleet of sailing vessels which several years ago piled from this port, died at the home of his daughter, Mrs. Frank Harding, at Saybrook Point, yesterday, according to word received here. Death followed a four weeks' illness from pneumonia. His cruises had taken him practically all over the world.

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## BERLIN WILD WITH JOY AT NEWS OF CHASE OF GRAND DUKE'S ARMY INTO RUSSIA

### BARNUM & BAILEY PROPERTY MAN IS DEAD IN HOSPITAL

**Stricken in Iowa, Bert Wallace Fails to Rally on Homecoming.**

"Bert" Wallace, property man with the Barnum & Bailey circus, died this morning at St. Vincent's hospital, where he was taken after a sudden attack of illness he suffered while traveling through Iowa with the show.

Circusmen are coming to Bridgeport today from several parts of the country to pay their last respects to "Bert," who with Mrs. Wallace, was considered not only among the most valued employees of the Barnum & Bailey show, but a star among property men. Persons connected with circuses the country over mourn him today and share with his wife the feeling of loss.

"Bert" Wallace was picked up by the Barnum & Bailey show in a tour of England many years ago and he became identified with the circus. He rose to the position of head property man and later, when Mrs. Wallace became equally skilled in the art, together they cared for all the "props" of the vast traveling amusement company.

Recently Wallace suffered an emphysema, while the show was passing through Iowa and he was rushed to this city, where his winter home is. He was taken to St. Vincent's hospital several days ago but his condition was so serious that he relaxed quickly. He died this morning and the entire circus world is sorrowing.

The body now lies at the undertaking parlors of Walker & Banks. Officials of the circus have given orders that no expense be spared in giving "Bert" a funeral befitting a person held in the esteem he enjoyed. Mrs. Wallace will arrive here this evening. The funeral will be held tomorrow from the mortuary chapel. Rev. John R. Brown, pastor of the First Baptist church, will officiate and the burial will be in Lakeview cemetery.

## APPEAL WILL BE TAKEN IN FLOUR FRAUD LAWSUIT

**Susman-Feuer Co. Unwilling to Return Big Amount of Merchandise.**

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## RETREAT BY RUSSIANS BRINGS UP NEW LINES

London, June 29.—The Russian retreat in Galicia is rapidly reforming near the river Gniza Lipa before General Von Linsingen's drive across the Dniester but this retreat, in the opinion of London military critics, is almost entirely due to the battle in the Lemberg region where the positions of the Russians made retreat inevitable. These movements have strengthened the Austro-German line and have consolidated the hold of the Teutons on the regained Galician capital.

Fruitless fighting sums up the operations along the western front where even artillery duels lack vigour except on the line between Arras and the sea where a bombardment of the positions has been almost continuous.

The expected detachment of German troops from the east front for operations in the west evidently has not yet occurred. This probably is due to the stubborn Russian retreat and the increasing pressure of the Italians. The advance of the Italians has been very slow but if it is to be entirely stopped more Austrian troops must be transferred from the Russian Galician line unless Austria is willing to surrender the seaport of

## Memorable Street Scenes Mark Issuance of Official Confirmation of Long Expected Invasions of the Czar's Territory By Austro-German Forces

**German Sweep North of Lemberg Is Indicated in Latest Despatches.**

Berlin, June 29.—With enthusiastic demonstrations such as accompanied the early dash of German troops towards Paris, Berlin heard today that the Austro-German forces have succeeded, at last, in carrying the fight in the eastern battle lines, on to Russian territory.

Official confirmation of dispatches that the Russian Grand Duke's army was in full retreat brought forth throngs, whose wild manifestations of joy were memorable.

"To the north of Lemberg, the Austro-German forces are now on Russian territory," was the gist of the laconic announcement that Berlin has been expecting, ever since the glad tidings reached the city, of the fall of Lemberg.

Furthermore, General Von Linsingen has driven the Russians across the Gniza Lipa river, an affluent of the Dniester, to the north of Halicz.

The text of the communication follows: "In the western theatre: The French yesterday prepared for a night infantry attack, between Lens and the Bethune-Arras road, by a strong preparatory fire, but they were frustrated by our artillery. In the hills of the Meuse yesterday the enemy delivered five attacks upon the positions we captured June 26 at a point to the southwest of Les Eparges but these attacks broke down with heavy losses. During the night the French advanced at a point further west also broke down without having achieved success."

"To the east of Lunewille three attacks on the part of several enemy battalions against our positions in the Rembert and to the west of Plentzoy and Condrex, did not penetrate further than our outer entanglements. The enemy was driven back into his former positions by our fire."

"An artillery observation post of the enemy located on the Soissons was done away with yesterday by our artillery fire."

"In the eastern theatre of the war nothing of importance developed yesterday."

"In the southeastern theatre: the army under General Von Linsingen defeated the enemy during a pursuit along the entire front between Halicz and Firjelow and drove them across the Gniza Lipa river. In this section the fighting continues. Further north in the Przemysl district the town of Kamionka, 25 miles northeast of Lemberg, has been reached by our troops. To the north of Kamionka the enemy did not await our attack, but retreated across the river Bug at a point below Kamionka."

"In a section to the north and northeast of Mosty Wielkie, about 30 miles north of Lemberg, the enemy retreated and west of Tomaszow, the enemy yesterday offered resistance. Everywhere he was defeated. Here we are now on Russian territory."

"In the pressure of our advance in this district the enemy is beginning to evacuate his positions in the Tanew section and on the lower San."

## FAIR WEATHER BOOKED FOR INDEPENDENCE DAY

Washington, June 29.—Fair weather for the Fourth of July holiday next Monday was promised to-day by the weather bureau for every section of the country.

## ITALY AND TURKEY REACH GRAVE CRISIS

Vienna, June 29.—Announcement in the Italian press of a rupture between Italy and Turkey, with the early appearance of the Italian army and navy alongside the allies in the Dardanelles has been received here with much satisfaction although there has been no official announcement from Rome regarding Italy's plans.

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Triest. Triest, however, being the first important milestone on the road to Vienna, it no doubt will be defended to the last gap.

Anglo-French troops on the Gallipoli peninsula are heavily bombarding the Turkish right wing without result, according to the Turkish official report but the other side has not yet announced the conclusion of this operation.

## BERLIN NOTIFIED WHEN U. S. SHIPS NEAR BLOCKADERS

Washington, June 29.—The United States has adopted the practice of notifying the German admiralty through Ambassador Gerard, of the time of departure of every passenger ship sailing under the American flag and approximately the hours during which it will pass through the war zone.

This precaution is being taken in order that German submarine commanders may be on the watch for American vessels and prevent a repetition of mistakes such as that on the American tank ship Quiffight, which was torpedoed by a German submarine commander who supposed the vessel was a British ship because it was in company of two English patrol boats.

## PLOT TO DESTROY ANOTHER CANADIAN PLANT IS FOILED

Quebec, June 29.—The militia department is investigating the finding of fifty sticks of dynamite near the Mercer Machinery Shops in Shaw Park, Levis.

The dynamite was found last night buried in the ground close to the plant.

## Australia To Be Swamped With Hurt When Autumn Arrives

Melbourne, Australia, June 29.—Australia has set a number of records for distance including the despatch of troops thousands of miles to the firing line and the extraordinary exploits of the submarine AE-2 in covering 60,000 miles before her loss at the Dardanelles. Hundreds of wounded Australians are also to be brought back to the Commonwealth from the hospitals at Alexandria and the heat of the Red Sea has lessened. The influx will begin about next October or November, but already steps are being taken to cope with the situation. The Red Cross will bear the brunt of the burden and arrangements for money, supplies, hospital room and other necessities are being made. Many offers of private homes are forthcoming although it will be several months before the wounded men arrive.

## Average Wage In Britain Is \$6.50

London, June 29.—An analysis of government statistics made by the Fabian society shows that in the United Kingdom there are 1,500,000 persons whose incomes exceed \$5,000 a year, 4,600,000 with incomes between \$300 and \$5,000, and 32,200,000 who receive less than \$300 annually. It is calculated that the average wage of the adult laboring man equals \$4.50 a week and of the adult woman worker but \$2.75 weekly. Since 1895, the purchasing power of a pound has declined to little more than half; that is \$5 now goes no farther than \$2.95 did in Great Britain in 1895.

One of a national annual income of \$11,000,000,000, something over \$1,500,000,000 are absorbed in rent, \$2,500,000,000 for interest and \$2,500,000,000 for profits and salaries.

Peace has its tolls no less than war, for in 1913 there were 4,563 persons killed and 222,061 injured in industrial accidents with 625 cases of poison and anthrax in factories, resulting in 34 deaths.